

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 491
By Wilder

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Clyde W. McCullough, Jr. upon his meritorious tenure as Chief Clerk of the Senate.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should pause to pay homage to those exemplary public servants who have served this Body with the utmost in probity, integrity and industry; and

WHEREAS, Clyde W. McCullough, Jr. is most assuredly one such worthy official, having served with distinction as the Chief Clerk of the Senate for twenty outstanding years; and

WHEREAS, a native of Nashville, Mr. McCullough is one of the most dedicated and public-spirited citizens that the Capital City has ever produced; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of George Peabody College for Teachers, Clyde began his illustrious legislative career as the administrative assistant to former Lieutenant Governor Frank Gorrell; and

WHEREAS, Clyde quickly ascended through the ranks of the Senate hierarchy to serve astutely as Assistant Chief Clerk of the Senate during the 89th General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, beginning with the 90th General Assembly, Mr. McCullough started his estimable term of service as Chief Clerk of the Senate, a twenty-year tenure that stands unequaled in terms of both diligence and proficiency; and

WHEREAS, no matter how small or large the task, Clyde has applied his considerable talents to the job at hand, and he has almost always produced the desired results; and

WHEREAS, this gentleman has worked assiduously to keep each and every member of the Senate happy and satisfied, certainly no easy task, and his rate of success at achieving Senate unity has indeed been astounding; and

WHEREAS, his deft skill and dexterity as a parliamentarian has served the Senate well, as he has demonstrated that there is no conundrum from which he cannot escape, often recalling the exploits of one Harry Houdini in the performance of his duties; and

WHEREAS, his feats of legerdemain and prestidigitation have inspired awe and wonder in the members of the Senate, and have even earned the unqualified approval of his mentor, Lt. Gov. John S. Wilder; and

WHEREAS, the very epitome of the consummate professional, Mr. McCullough served as the Chief Clerk of the 1977 Constitutional Convention, and he is very active as a member of the American Society of Legislative Clerks and Secretaries, in addition to his service as Chief Referee and Arbitrator of the Senate; and

WHEREAS, Clyde began his legislative career equipped with a quill and scroll for this Body's voluminous word processing tasks and has assisted with generally good, but sometimes surly, humor in the development of a new local area network with more than 200 personal computers that are distributed throughout the legislative complex; and

WHEREAS, his excellent sartorial taste and that good humor again, as well as his skill as a raconteur have made his company much sought after at social occasions; and

WHEREAS, Clyde has announced that he will put himself out to pasture at the conclusion of the 99th General Assembly, and trade in his copies of Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure and the Senate Rules for a pair of Bermuda shorts and a bottle of suntan lotion; and

WHEREAS, because he has served this Body in the spirit of bi-partisanship and compromise, it is most appropriate that we should express our undying appreciation to Clyde

McCullough for a job well done before he answers the tantalizing call of retirement; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and commend Clyde W. McCullough, Jr. upon his meritorious service as Chief Clerk of the Senate, and wish him much continued happiness as he pursues the golden years of his retirement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Clyde W. McCullough, Jr. upon his meritorious tenure as Chief Clerk of the Senate.

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Clyde W. McCullough, Jr. upon his meritorious tenure as Chief Clerk of the Senate.

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Clyde W. McCullough, Jr. upon his meritorious tenure as Chief Clerk of the Senate.

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Clyde W. McCullough, Jr. upon his meritorious tenure as Chief Clerk of the Senate.

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Clyde W. McCullough, Jr. upon his meritorious tenure as Chief Clerk of the Senate.